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SUBJECT: GOA ISSUES LIST OF 232 LOCATED PERSONS

1. IN AN UNEXPECTED ANNOUNCEMENT, THE ARGENTINE FEDERAL POLICE ISSUED ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 1978, THE NAMES OF 232 INDIVIDUALS WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN REPORTED MISSING BUT WHO HAVE BEEN LOCATED WITHIN THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR.

2. OF THE 232 PERSONS WHO HAD BEEN REPORTED MISSING TO POLICE AUTHORITIES ONLY TWO OF THESE DISAPPEARANCES HAD BEEN REPORTED TO THE EMBASSY. THE FIRST CASE WAS OF ISABLE MADRID, WHO WAS REPORTED MISSING BY HER FATHER TO THE EMBASSY ON NOVEMBER 19, 1977. HER FATHER INFORMED THE EMBASSY ON DECEMBER 9, 1977 THAT HIS DAUGHTER HAD RETURNED SAFELY HOME. THE OTHER CASE IS THAT OF RICARDO CAIRO WHO WAS REPORTED TO HAVE DISAPPEARED BY HIS MOTHER ON MARCH 20, 1977. THE EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED NO PREVIOUS INDICATION OF HIS RELEASE.

3. WE WILL CHECK WITH OTHER HUMAN RIGHT ORGANIZATIONS
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REGARDING THEIR ANALYSES OF THE FEDERAL POLICE

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5. EMBASSY COMMENTS. TWO THINGS STRIKE US IMMEDIATELY: FIRST IS THE VERY SMALL PERCENTAGE OF THESE DISAPPEARANCES WHICH WERE REPORTED TO THE EMBASSY--ABOUT 1 PERCENT. SECOND--THOUGH THIS IS BASED ON A MINISCULE SAMPLE--IS THE FACT THAT THE LIST MAY INCLUDE MANY ARRESTED AND SUBSEQUENTLY RELEASED BY ARGENTINE SECURITY FORCES.
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